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DECLARATION

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SIR:

- I, Michael Britton, hereby declare and state as follows:
- A copy of the Japanese language invention report as well as a certified English translation of the Japanese language invention report are included in the response to the August 7, 2006 Office Action.
- 2. The translator Masaaki Iwami, certified that the translation of the Japanese language invention report into English was accurate.
- 3. The Japanese invention report as well as the English translation of the invention report attached hereto have had all dates indicated thereon redacted.
- 4. Other than the above mentioned redactions, the translation as well as the Japanese original are included as provided by the translator.
- 5. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that

Application No. 09/957,484 Declaration

these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this application or any patent issuing thereon.

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